

# LISTS AND CONTACTS

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## January 20

**Nursery:**  
**AM:** Fierte B, Krista V, Tianna V  
**PM:** Rachel V, Emma V  
**Little Lambs:** Shelley & Conner

**Parking Patrol:**  
**AM:** Bryan G      **PM:** George G

**Greeter:**  
 Henk & Rita Visscher

**Host Family:**  
 Henk & Rita Visscher

**Ladies Aid Coffee Social - February 3 AM**  
**Servers:** Amy G, Belinda D, Cheryl V, Esther V  
**Bakers:** Mien K, Katelyn M, Carolyn K, Els L

### For the month of January

**Parking Lot Cleanup:** Christine V

### List Keepers

For any questions regarding the various volunteer opportunities, you may contact:

Bakers and Servers.....Hilary Slump  
 Birthday/Anniversary.....Haidee Voorhorst  
 Little Lambs.....Brenda Raap  
 Nursery Schedule.....Cheryl van den Hoven  
 Parking Lot Cleanup.....Darryl Vandeburgt  
 Parking Lot Patrol.....Jason Noort  
 Refugee Aid Committee.....Doug Schouten  
 Zion Manor/Greeters/Hosts.....Jennifer Uwland

## January 27

**Nursery:**  
**AM:** Colleen S, Carlina D, Seyutaw S  
**PM:** Jenny V, Allyson D  
**Little Lambs:** Katie & Katelyn

**Parking Patrol:**  
**AM:** Kyle H      **PM:** Jerome L

**Greeter:**  
 Stan & Lyn Leyenhorst

**Host Family:**  
 Ken & Christine Vanderploeg

**Ladies Aid Coffee Social - TBA**  
**Servers:** Cathy K, Christine V, Nora V, Jenny V  
**Bakers:** Andria L, Lyn M-L, Lucy M, Kathy N

**Laundry:** Hilary S

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# CLOVERDALE CANADIAN REFORMED CHURCH



Sunday January 20, 2019

**Morning Service 9:30AM**

**Afternoon Service 2:00PM**

*Rev. Melvin Dotinga*

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Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship

\*Votum (Psalm 124:8)

Congregation: **Our help is in the Name of the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth. Amen.**

\*Salutation.....1 Corinthians 1:3  
 \*Singing.....**Psalm 100**  
 Reading of the Law  
 Singing.....**Psalm 38:1,2,3,8,10**  
 Prayer  
 Public Reading of Holy Scripture  
**Psalm 57:1-3; Matthew 14:13-21**  
 (477, 563; 820, 974)  
 Singing.....**Psalm 46:1,2,5**  
 Ministry of the Word  
**Matthew 14:22-33**  
 (820, 975)

### TAKE HEART!

1. Jesus praying
2. Jesus presents Himself
3. Jesus' patient protection
4. Praise and worship of Jesus

\*Response in Song.....**Psalm 42:1,3,4,5**  
 Offering  
 Singing.....**Hymn 52:1,2,8**  
 Prayer  
 \*Singing.....**Hymn 10**  
 \*Benediction.....2 Corinthians 13:14  
**\*Three-fold Amen**

\*Salutation.....Revelation 1:4,5  
 \*Singing.....**Psalm 9:1,4,5**  
 Prayer  
 Public Reading of Holy Scripture  
**Exodus 30:11-16**  
 (71, 83)  
 Singing.....**Psalm 111:1,5**  
 Ministry of the Word  
**Matthew 17:22-27**  
 (822, 978)

### WHO PAYS THE TAX?

1. Payment described
2. Payment demanded
3. Payment delivered

\*Response in Song.....**Hymn 28:1,4,5,6,7**  
 \*Apostle's Creed.....**Hymn 1**  
 Offering  
 Singing.....**Hymn 26**  
 Prayer  
 \*Singing.....**Psalm 117**  
 \*Benediction.....Numbers 6:24-26  
**\*Three-fold Amen**

*\*Indicates standing*

## Welcome

We're very thankful that you have joined us today! Today is the Lord's Day, the day our loving Father and Creator set aside at the beginning of every week to nourish and refresh us. He does this by gathering us together, speaking His love and grace to us in the reading and preaching of His Holy Word, the Bible. Through His Word, He feeds us and unites us to Himself in Jesus Christ, through His Holy Spirit and through the sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper.

If you are here for the first time, we would like to get to know you, and give you the opportunity to get to know us. Please feel welcome to stick around and mingle with us after the worship service. One of our host families will gladly invite you over for lunch.

If you're interested in learning more about God, His Son Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit, or anything else that is part of the Christian faith, please feel free to ask one of our Elders or Deacons for assistance. We are available and would be happy to help.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

20	Christine Vanderploeg
23	Rita Visscher
24	Shane Hoogstra
26	Michael Vanderstoep

## Notices and Updates

### Life in the Congregation

We can begin this week with some words of thankfulness to the Lord God, who is the Great Physician. We can report that Derek and Julia Hoogstra's brother-in-law, Wilfred Bulhuis has undergone the kidney transplant operation and received a kidney from his son Derek. They were both up and walking rather quickly. Today both of them are already home from the hospital, and we can report that Wilfred's overall health is much improved. Derek and Wilfred will need to take it easy for the next 2-3 months. They have a long recovery in front of them, but the medical team is very confident that they will both do very well. Though these doctors are good, we know who's greater. Praise God from all blessings flow!

We can also give thanks with sr. Audrey van den Hoven that her condition is improving as well. She did have a rather serious bout of pneumonia, but her condition has since improved greatly and she is well enough to attend church again. Further, we give thanks for a newborn grandchild! Ken and Christine VanderPloeg have become grandparents again, and we congratulate them with the birth and baptism of Seth Nolan VanderPloeg, son of Justin and Jackie in the Willoughby congregation.

Some further congratulations are in order for Christine VanderPloeg, who is celebrating a birthday this Sunday, January 20th. Sister Rita Visscher will be celebrating a birthday on January 23d. And, two of our younger brothers, Shane Hoogstra and Michael Vanderstoep, who are both true millennials, will be celebrating their birthdays on January 24 and January 26th. We wish

For more information and to register go to [www.summitrefcon.org](http://www.summitrefcon.org).

### Voice of the Church

Persecution. That word doesn't really sound appealing, does it? The Bible often talks about persecution, but what does this mean for us living here in 2019?

Voice of the Church is pleased to present this week's meditations prepared by Pastor Raymond Sikkema. The meditation is titled "Blessed are the persecuted". It will play on your local radio station at its normal time.

You can find the podcast version on our website: <http://voiceofthechurch.org>.

Share this Podcast with your brothers and sisters or even your neighbours. God's eternal plan is good. He has a plan for us all!

If you have any questions, comments, or have inquires about how to listen to this, please contact us via our website page under the "contact" tab.

[www.crtsc.ca](http://www.crtsc.ca) or <https://livestream.com/langleycanrc>.

At this time the CRTS respectfully ask your prayers for a number of things:

- Petition for conference speakers and organizers so that God's name may be honoured in all that is done
- Thankfulness for the young men who are coming to the CRTS Campus Visit, and a request that the Lord would guide them as they consider whether they would like to study for the ministry of the gospel.
- Petition for prospective students who are preparing their applications for the upcoming academic year.
- Petition for the Lord's blessing on professors and students as they begin another regular semester next week.
- Thankfulness for the ongoing freedom to run this seminary in this country. It's not a freedom to be taken for granted.

### **CRWRF – Indonesian Tsunami**

On December 22 a tsunami triggered by the eruption of Anak Krakatau hit large coastal areas of the Sunda Strait (between Java and Sumatra, Indonesia) causing loss of life and significant destruction. The latest reports count the death toll at 437, and the number of displaced at over 33,000. The scope of the food and non-food emergency needs is immediate.

CRWRF is currently responding (in the amount of \$20,000) by partnering with our

connection in Timor, Indonesia, (New Hope Foundation) to provide. Working with New Hope food packages & baby care packages will be distributed to those in need.

If you wish to help, we will gratefully accept your donations. All donations specific to the tsunami should be earmarked "Indonesian Tsunami" and they will be directed to our relief response. Monies for this should be received by February 28th – funds received after this will be placed into our general fund. All cheques should be made payable to "CRWRF", and mailed to CRWRF, P.O. Box 85225, Burlington, ON L7R 4K4.

Alternatively, you can donate online via our web-site at [www.crwrf.ca](http://www.crwrf.ca). In this case make sure to choose the fund designation "Indonesian Tsunami".

### **2019 Summit Reformed Youth Conference**

The 2019 Summit Reformed Youth Conference is now open for registration!

**Theme:** "Who Do You Say I Am?"

**Date:** August 5-9:

**Main Speakers:** Rev. Wm. Jason Tuinstra (Bethel URC Jenison MI) & Rev. William den Hollander (Langley CanRC, Langley BC,)

**Place:** Mt. Royal University, Calgary

**Overview:** It's the question Jesus asked to those who knew him best. It's the question Jesus asks to every believer in every age. It's the single most important question you will ever answer. "Who do YOU say I am?" (Matthew 6:15)

**Breakout Session Topics:** Sacred History, Troubling Times, Imitating Christ, a Warped View of Christ, Membership Matters, Troubling Times, Vine and Branches, and It's All About Christ.

each one of you a blessed birthday, giving thanks to the Lord for the gift of life and health. May the Lord grant each of you a joyful day and many blessings on the road ahead.

We welcome Rev. Melvin Dotinga, the missionary pastor of the Lynden United Reformed Church to lead our worship services today. May we all be blessed and enriched in our lives as we worship God together on this third Lord's Day of the year 2019.

### **Home Visitation Theme**

"Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful."

Hebrews 10:23

### **Do you have a prayer request?**

Please let an elder or a deacon know if you have a prayer request or would like a visit. Let us know about joys and sorrows, challenges and milestones you would like us to remember in public prayer. Send prayer requests to [prayer@cloverdalecanrc.org](mailto:prayer@cloverdalecanrc.org)

## **Catechism Classes**

### ***Senior Class:***

"By Grace Alone" Workbook

Finish the Questions for Chapter 14

### ***Intermediate Class:***

Memory Work: Lord's Day 17  
1 Corinthians 15:3,4

### ***Junior Class:***

Memory Work: Lord's Day 15 (37)  
1 Peter 2:24  
Lord's Day 16 (40, 41, 42)

## **Bible Studies**

### **Semiahmoo Community Bible Study**

Join us in the study of the Bible and learn with us as we travel through the mysteries of the gospel. No experience is required, only a curiosity about what the Bible tells us and how it should affect all of us.

If you do not have a Bible, we can supply you with one at no cost to you. In our discussion we encourage questions and other opinions and deal with each one respectfully.

We meet in the meeting room of the Semiahmoo Library on 152 Street and 18th Avenue every Wednesday evening from 7:30 to 8:30pm.

### **Wednesday Morning Womens' Bible Study**

WMBS will meet this week. Cheryl to lead, Monica in Story Hour and Rita is babysitting.

### **Thursday Evening Women's Bible Study**

Our next meeting will be held on February 7 with Jenny Vanderzyl leading. We will be looking at questions 9-18 (p. 136) of chapter 4; The Corruption of Man, His Conversion to God, and the Manner in Which it Occurs in Peter Feenstra's book "Unspeakable Comfort". Please join us as we meet in the church at 8pm.

*We will not be having a meeting on January 24th to allow everyone to attend the speech*

"Do not Hinder Them"; Children in the Gospels by Dr. Gerhard H. Visscher In Langley.

## Message Board

### Zion Park Manor Vespers

Date and Time: January 20, 2019 @ 330pm

EC Leader: George Gunnink

Presenting Group: Tuesday Morning

Accompanist: Tamara Van Dyke

### From the Deacons

*January 20, 2019 collections: Word and Deed*

As you might recall, historically, our special collection on New Year's service is for Word and Deed. This year, because of the joint service with Maranatha, this was missed. As a result, we would like to have special collections for Word and Deed on the January 20 2019 services instead. Thank you for your support for this worthy cause!

### Ward lunches

Encouraged by the positive feedback we received from the last round of ward lunches, we would like to invite you for a time of fellowship, coffee, and lunch. We will be in contact to arrange soup, buns and fixings. Bring board or card games for sharing!

### Schedule:

**Wards 1 & 2** (elders DeJong, Van Dyke; deacons Dam and Bredenhof): **February 10, 2019**

**Wards 5, 6, & 7** (elders Visscher, Voorhorst, Vanderploeg; deacons Kieneker, Schoen): **February 24, 2019**

**Wards 3 & 4** (elders Kuik, Raap; deacons Dam, Schoen): **March 31, 2019**

The Deacons

### GEMS

GEMS is hoping to meet again January 16. Glow has ended now, so we won't be singing another time after all.

At this time we would like to ask for volunteers. Because of Glow, we've been able to make the Fall work without regular volunteers, but will not be able to continue without volunteers. (A big thanks to our Dykstra musicians who helped us with our practices and performance). Please let Julia Hoogstra know if you can volunteer for GEMS: 778.223.3360 or [juliahhoogstra@gmail.com](mailto:juliahhoogstra@gmail.com). Thank you for prayerfully considering. The girls do really love GEMS, and this is a rewarding activity for them and for the leaders.

Leaders are confessing members; helpers are baptized members.

Julia

### From the Evangelism Committee

This past week Monday, we had our first "Stand to Reason" apologetics session, and wanted to share two highlights of what we learned there.

First, we learned that we need not be discouraged if we're not seeing more conversion as a result of our evangelism efforts as ambassadors for Christ. Rather, as Mr. Koukl explains John 4:35-38, the Lord has sent both harvesters and sowers into the world. Most of us may be sowers, and that's okay. The sowers are those who are putting pebbles in the shoes of unbelievers, perhaps twinging their consciences, challenging their belief systems, and letting them know what they're missing out on

without God in their lives. They may be explaining the gospel basics to their neighbours, but never actually seeing conversion. That is their task in God's kingdom, to sow. God raises up others, harvesters, who become involved at the stage of the unbeliever's life when they are ready to believe and repent. It is also possible that we are sowers for some people, and harvesters for others. We also were reminded that the end result of our efforts is in the Lord's hands, who by the powerful working of his Spirit is the only one who can bring about conversion.

Second, we learned a primary tactic in apologetics that Mr. Koukl calls the "Columbo tactic". It can be summed up in the question: "What do you mean by that?" We were encouraged to use this question, or variations of it, when somebody challenges the claims of Christians and the Bible. The question is a polite way to engage a person in meaningful conversation by exploring where the person is coming from and what informs their beliefs, rather than immediately going on the offensive. We then were given time to practice using this tactic to address such common challenges as "There is no evidence for God"; "the Bible is just a collection of stories written by men, who make mistakes"; and "the teachings of the Bible are no different from what other religions teach." It wasn't an easy assignment, but with practice we could see that this can be a very effective tool.

It is our hope and prayer that the 16 of us who participated came away with a fresh way of thinking about evangelism, as well as a tactic to practice and work with in engaging our unbelieving neighbour, family member, or co-worker.

Up next, on January 28th: more work with the Columbo tactic!

### William of Orange Open House

Staff and students of William of Orange Christian School cordially invite all parents, grandparents, and supporters to our annual Open House to be held on Wednesday, January 30th, 2019.

The day will begin with an opening assembly at 8:55am in the gym. Regular classes will then resume with the opportunity for guests to wander through the school and observe. This will be followed by recess and refreshments in the school library at 10:30am.

At 11:00am we will have our annual school Spelling Bee. Babysitting will be available in the church.

We look forward to seeing many of you in our school halls!

### CRTS Free Evening Lectures: January 24 and 25: Children and the Church

So how exactly did our Lord Jesus view children and teach us to view children? Are your children really different from your neighbour's children? How so, and why? Should your parenting and their education not take the answers to these questions into account? Please join us on Thursday, January 24 at 8:00 pm at Langley Canadian Reformed Church as Dr. G. H. Visscher will analyze these questions in a public session. You are also welcome to join us on Friday evening at 8:00 pm to hear Dr. Eric Watkins, an OPC pastor, speak about how our Presbyterian brothers and sisters encourage spiritual maturity, and the role parents, pastors and youth ministries play in nurturing covenant children toward spiritual maturity. For full conference information, please visit [www.crts.ca](http://www.crts.ca). Please note that the evening lectures will be livestreamed. The link to the livestream can be found at